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But so many fatal flaws with that report. Reads like an undergraduate (with direction to come to a certain conclusion and maybe a single course in microbiology) wrote it. They misused my paper as evidence and got major biology of zoonoses and spillover wrong. Major waste of taxpayer money to grind a political axe.

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On Oct 30, 2022, at 4:31 PM, Garvin, Michael <garvinmr@ornl.gov> wrote:

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Hi All,

A few months back I sent a review of the Worobey et al and Pekar et al preprints that were all over CNN and NPR and then resulted in the Science paper by Worobey. I had pointed to many flaws in the paper and potential problems with their interpretations.

This report just came out from Senator Richard Burr's office (attached). Some interesting data and insights in there. Of note, compare Figure 5 of the report to Worobey's figure – as I pointed out before, he covered up where the WIV is on his figure.